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1. Route to the Aktubneft oil fields, which lay to the northeast in the direction of Kandagach (49°28'N/57°26'E)-Orsk (51°26'N/58°10'E), the Emba district proper consisted of three subdistricts around Dosor, Koscha il and Guryev. The total number of the active oil wells in these subdistricts was estimated at about 5,200. The average daily output of an average well was estimated at 35 to 120 tons.
2. The Dosor subdistrict east of the Ural mountains covered an area of about 130x200 km. The principal fields in this subdistrict were in Dosor, Takat, Beitshunas, Iskine, Kulzari, Koschagil, Kizilkuduk and Karachungur.
3. The Guryev subdistrict, west of the Ural mountains, covered an area of about 120x130 km. It consisted mainly of four large crude oil deposits at Baksayevski, Sarachikovestnaya, Sorochinka and Novo-Togatsinsk. About one hundred derricks were in the Sorochinka field. More than 60 derricks were concentrated in a small area of 3x5 km. The drilling and producing derricks had a average height of 25 to 30 meters. * There were spur tracks to the Guryev-Uralsk railroad line. Pipe lines, about 150 mm in diameter, led from the production sites at Sorochinka to the main pipe lines which in turn ran into the large oil pipe line leading to Orsk via Dosor.
4. The Novo-Togatsinsk oil field covered an area of about 35 sq km. A large number of crude oil tanks, connected with the individual drilling sites and with the main pipe line to Guryev-Dosor-Kandagach, were in the vicinity of the producing derricks. There were also many spur tracks, especially in the vicinity of the rows of oil tanks. The oil field had pump stations and filling installations. The Novo-Togatsinsk field was considered one of the most promising of the entire Guryev subdistrict and was being progressively exploited. The experimental drillings at the field for a comparatively short time were said to have shown unexpectedly good results.

25X1 Comment. A producing derrick (Foerderturm) is a derrick over a producing well. Instead of supporting drilling equipment, a producing derrick supports an installation controlling a self-flowing well or a pumping installation.

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